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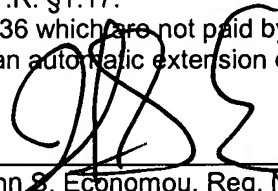


In re application of: **Francois BLAUDIN DE THE et al.**  
Serial No.: 10/583,626  
Filed: April 10, 2007  
For: **FUEL ROD FOR A NUCLEAR REACTOR**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Appeal Brief including Appendices A, B & C (21 pgs)** in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Also transmitted herewith are:
- ☐ Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136
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